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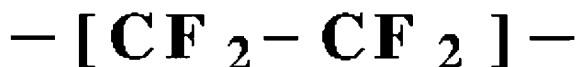
Repeat Unit

Melting temperature: 327°X.



Amorphous density at 25°C: 2.00 g/cm³.

Crystalline density at 25°C: 2.30 g/cm³.



Molecular weight of repeat unit: 100.02 g/mol.

[Typical physical properties](#)

Description

Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) is a highly crystalline polymer which is very resistant to attack by corrosives and solvents. It also has extremely good thermal resistance at temperatures up to 250C. Polytetrafluoroethylene is used in a broad range of applications, including gasketing, pump parts, bearings, and anti-stick applications.

Suppliers

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Overview - Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), Molded

Subcategory: Fluoropolymer; Polymer; PTFE; Thermoplastic

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Proprietary Grades

Please be aware that some proprietary polymers may not be listed because they fall into more than one class or because of ambiguity in manufacturer's information.

Key Words: Fluoropolymer; Plastics; Polymers

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Physical Properties	Metric	English	Comment
Density	2.15 - 2.3 g/cc	0.0777 - 0.0831 lb/in ³	Average 2.17 g/cc Grad Count = 3
Apparent Bulk Density	0.36 - 0.91 g/cc	0.013 - 0.0329 lb/in ³	Average 0.64 g/cc Grad Count=2
Water Absorption	0 - 0.03 %	0 - 0.03 %	Average 0.0042% Grad Count = 2
Linear Mold Shrinkage	0.01 - 0.058 cm/cm	0.01 - 0.058 in/in	Average 0.03 cm/cm Grad Count = 2
Mechanical Properties			
Hardness, Rockwell R	58	58	Grad Count =
Hardness, Shore A	98	98	Grad Count =
Hardness, Shore D	50 - 59	50 - 59	Average 55.1 Grad Count = 1
Tensile Strength, Ultimate	10 - 43 MPa	1450 - 6240 psi	Average

			33.6 MPa; Grad Count = 3
Tensile Strength, Yield	9 - 30 MPa	1310 - 4350 psi	Average 11.6 MPa; Grad Count =
Elongation at Break	50 - 650 %	50 - 650 %	Average 400% Grad Count = 3
Tensile Modulus	0.4 - 1.8 GPa	58 - 261 ksi	Average 0.61 GPa; Grad Count = 1
Flexural Modulus	0.5 - 0.7 GPa	72.5 - 102 ksi	Average 0.52 GPa; Grad Count =
Compressive Yield Strength	10 - 15 MPa	1450 - 2180 psi	Average 14.4 MPa; Grad Count=
Poisson's Ratio	0.46	0.46	Grad Count =
Shear Strength	5 MPa	725 psi	Grad Count =
Izod Impact, Notched	1.6 J/cm	3 ft-lb/in	Grad Count =
Izod Impact, Notched Low Temp	0.8 J/cm	1.5 ft-lb/in	Grad Count =
Charpy Impact, Unnotched	NB	NB	Grad Count =
Charpy Impact, Notched	0.5 J/cm ²	2.38 ft-lb/in ²	Grad Count =
Tensile Impact Strength	670 kJ/m ²	319 ft-lb/in ²	Grad Count =
Coefficient of Friction	0.06 - 0.1	0.06 - 0.1	Average 0.07; Grad Count=2
Limiting Pressure Velocity	0.063 MPa-m/sec	1800 psi-ft/min	Grad Count =

Electrical Properties

Electrical Resistivity	1e+011 - 1e+018 ohm-cm	1e+011 - 1e+018 ohm-cm	Average 7e+1 ohm-cm Grad Count = 3
Surface Resistance	1e+011 - 1e+018 ohm	1e+011 - 1e+018 ohm	Average 5E+1 ohn

			Grad Count = 1
Dielectric Constant	2.1	2.1	Grad Count = 2
Dielectric Constant, Low Frequency	2.1	2.1	Grad Count = 2
Dielectric Strength	18 - 105 kV/mm	457 - 2670 kV/in	Average 58. kV/mm Grad Count = 2
Dissipation Factor	0.0001 - 0.0003	0.0001 - 0.0003	Average 0.0002; Grad Count = 2
Dissipation Factor, Low Frequency	0.0001 - 0.0003	0.0001 - 0.0003	Average 0.0002; Grad Count = 2
Arc Resistance	300 sec	300 sec	Grad Count=
Thermal Properties			
CTE, linear -100°C	86 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$	47.8 $\mu\text{in}/\text{in}\cdot^\circ\text{F}$	Grad Count=
CTE, linear 20°C	79 - 150 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$	43.9 - 83.3 $\mu\text{in}/\text{in}\cdot^\circ\text{F}$	Average 100 $\mu\text{m}/\text{n}$ $^\circ\text{C}$; Grad Count=1
CTE, linear 100°C	100 - 140 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$	55.6 - 77.8 $\mu\text{in}/\text{in}\cdot^\circ\text{F}$	Average 140 $\mu\text{m}/\text{n}$ $^\circ\text{C}$; Grad Count=1
CTE, linear 250°C	170 - 220 $\mu\text{m}/\text{m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$	94.4 - 122 $\mu\text{in}/\text{in}\cdot^\circ\text{F}$	Average 190 $\mu\text{m}/\text{n}$ $^\circ\text{C}$; Grad Count=1
Specific Heat Capacity	1.2 - 1.4 J/g- $^\circ\text{C}$	0.287 - 0.335 BTU/lb- $^\circ\text{F}$	Average 1.4 J/g-l Grad Count =
Thermal Conductivity	0.24 - 0.35 W/m-K	1.67 - 2.43 BTU-in/hr-ft $^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}$	Average 0.27 W/n K; Grad Count = 3
Melting Point	330 $^\circ\text{C}$	626 $^\circ\text{F}$	Grad Count =
Maximum Service Temperature, Air	260 - 290 $^\circ\text{C}$	500 - 554 $^\circ\text{F}$	Average 260 $^\circ\text{C}$ Grad Count = 3
Deflection Temperature at 0.46 MPa (66 psi)	73 $^\circ\text{C}$	163 $^\circ\text{F}$	Grad Count=

Deflection Temperature at 1.8 MPa (264 psi)	45 - 100 °C	113 - 212 °F	Average 56.1°C Grad Count=
Minimum Service Temperature, Air	-200 °C	-328 °F	Grad Count =
Flammability, UL94	V-0	V-0	Grad Count = 2
Oxygen Index	95 %	95 %	Grad Count = 1

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